

SENATE 46 TO 22 FOR SHIELDS BILL

Water Power Development
Passes After Four Weeks
of Debate.

NEWLANDS FIGHTS VAINLY FOR \$60,000,000 PROJECT

Expresses Fear That Piecemeal Legislation Will Obstruct the General Program.

The Senate last night, after four weeks of debate, passed the Shields bill to provide for development of water power in navigable waters by private capital. The vote was 46 to 22. Conservation champions fought hard to amend the measure, but without avail.

Those who voted against the bill were Senators Ashurst, Borah, Chamberlain, Chilton, Cummins, Gronna, Hollis, Husting, James, Kenyon, La Follette, Lamm, Lea, Lee, Lewis, Martin, Newlands, Norris, Poindexter, Reed, Sheppard and Works.

Senator Newlands tried without success to attach to the bill his measure providing a waterways commission and appropriating \$60,000,000 annually for ten years for flood control, waterway improvement and soil protection.

Why He Opposes Bill.
In announcing that he would vote against the bill, Senator Newlands said:

"I feel that this bill, operating as it does only upon a detached portion of the waterway development of the country, will, if passed, serve to put the development of waterways in a strait-jacket in the future."

"I think the fault with our legislation heretofore has been that we have taken hold of only detached portions of the waterway question, instead of treating it fully, broadly and comprehensively. With a view to developing every beneficial use of water and with a view to mitigate every destructive effect of water, I think the large problem is the one that should be taken first, and logically it includes all these detached portions, and that we should consider the whole first instead of considering the parts first. If we consider the whole problem we will necessarily include the parts."

Peril to General Plan.

"I believe that while this power is being exercised under the interstate commerce power of the Constitution with a view to promoting navigation, action upon detached portions of the waterway question will result in the creation of obstructions to navigation, in the construction of costly works which in time it may be necessary absolutely to obliterate, and which will work in full waterway development for other purposes will be obstructed and delayed."

"I am also opposed to this bill because for years we have been acting upon only detached portions of this question. Although the democratic party, now responsible for all legislation, seven years ago indicted the republicans for inactivity upon this very question, in a platform which unequivocally called for broad and comprehensive treatment of the entire question."

"I protest, therefore, against further legislation upon individual phases of this question, upon detached portions of this question, for when the interested parties are secure in what they want, I fear they will obstruct the full legislation for the general interest. I call upon the republican party to redeem its pledges made under Mr. Roosevelt's administration. I call upon my associates in the democratic party to redeem their pledges and to go before the people in the next campaign with at least one great constructive measure to their credit."

Chilton Amendment Defeated.

An amendment by Senator Chilton, requiring the Secretary of War to decide contests for permits to build dams in favor of the applicant offering the lowest-priced service to the public was defeated 20 to 21.

Senator Reed attacked the provision of the bill which provides that contests be decided in favor of the applicant able to guarantee the best construction, declaring that this would result in the best sites going to the interests now operating power plants. He declared the measure would grant corporations absolute control of the country's water-power for a long time.

BOOK BORROWING INCREASES.

New York Public Library Loaned Just 12,384,579 During 1915.

NEW YORK, March 9.—The use of books from the New York Public Library is double that of the Museum of London or of the Bibliothèque Nationale in Paris, it is stated in the annual report of the library today. A rapid increase in the number of borrowing of books is shown. The total number of books loaned to readers in 1915 was 19,354,579, as compared to 5,164,432 in 1914. More than 2,000,000 persons entered the library building during the year.

The total number of books and pamphlets in the whole library, including the central building and its forty-three branches, is 2,410,579. The favorite subjects of visitors to the main reading room is literature, under which head is included poetry, fiction, drama, essays and general periodicals. Economics and sociology rank second in popularity.

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REFUGEES SAID TO BE IN COMPARATIVE COMFORT

Director General Bicknell Tells of Red Cross Work for Serbians in Greece and Albania.

Destitute Serbian refugees, whose plight has been the object of sympathetic relief from all over the United States, are now in a condition of comparative comfort, according to a statement made by Ernest P. Bicknell, director general of the civilian relief work of the American Red Cross.

"All destitute Serbian refugees," Mr. Bicknell said, "have now been moved from Greece and Albania and have been transported chiefly to the islands of Corsica and Corfu, while a few have been taken to Marseille. Red Cross agents who have been distributing relief among the Serbian refugees in Greece and Albania cable that part of their work is completed. A considerable number of Serbians who are not in destitute circumstances are remaining in Athens."

Relief Plans Interrupted.

"Because of some complications not fully understood by the Red Cross, plans for the distribution of relief in northern Greece have been temporarily interrupted, but it is hoped that they may be renewed in the immediate future."

"Several hundred tons of relief supplies contributed for Serbians by the Rockefeller Foundation, the Serbian relief committee in New York, the Serbian distress fund in Boston and the Red Cross are in warehouses at Piræus, ready for distribution where most needed. A part of these supplies is now being shipped to Corfu for distribution among the Serbian refugees, but the American ambassador in Rome states that the refugees in Corsica are amply supplied."

VALUABLE GEMS STOLEN IN MAIL POUCH ROBBERY

Among Articles Were Ruby Necklace, 100 Diamonds and 113 Graded Pearls.

NEW YORK, March 9.—Valuable gems were included in the loot obtained by the thieves who stole four sacks of registered mail from a ferry boat here February 26. The Post Office Department has sent to all pawn brokers in this city a circular describing the jewelry.

The list includes a ruby valued at \$2,500, a necklace of 113 graduated pearls with a total weight of 192.52 grams, 100 loose diamonds, the largest of which was .46 carat, and a sapphire weighing .84 carat. The total value was not approximated.

The government offers a reward for the arrest and conviction of the thieves.

STERN WORDS STIR THEM.

Sunday's Merciless Rebuke of Backsliders Brings Penitents.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

BALTIMORE, March 9.—Boys and girls, youths and young women, those of middle life and of the age of silver hair, 122 in all, made up the band of trail-hitters last night at the Tabernacle, converts responding to the call issued by Billy Sunday to Baltimore. With the 347 who hit the trail Tuesday evening the total was brought to 693.

But, although there were far fewer converts than on Tuesday night, when the first invitation was given by the revivalist, the scene last evening that concluded the service was more impressive, the trail-hitters seemed more earnest and the congregation of 18,000 was quieter than had been the previous one of 20,000.

"Hope for Backsliders" was the subject of the evangelist, and it was filled with a spirit of bitter condemnation of those who, seeing the need of religion, refused to accept it and turn from the lure of the world. Sunday belabored his audience with a heavy hand, nor did he spare the ministers who sat, to the number of 19 or more, at his right hand. He had not a word of tolerance even for those sins which most folks call venial: his sermon was puritanical, threatening, merciless.

The day's total of attendance was 20,000, of which number 18,000 were present at the evening service. The total attendance to date is 205,000. Collections at the service Tuesday were \$1,017.50. Philadelphia's collections for the corresponding day of its campaign (the eighth) were \$1,075.68. Trenton's were \$922.59. The grand total of contributions here amounts to \$12,355.79.

Prussian Town Is Fire-Swept.

AMSTERDAM, via London, March 9, 7:15 a.m.—A great fire has destroyed warehouses and a large quantity of merchandise at Muenchen-Gladbach, a town in Rhenish Prussia, sixteen miles southwest of Düsseldorf. The damage was extensive, according to German newspapers received here.

GET-TOGETHER DINNER AND DANCE PROPOSED

Connecticut Avenue Citizens' Association Refers Project to Its Executive Committee.

The Connecticut Avenue Citizens' Association met last night and approved the proposal of the executive committee for a "get-together dinner dance" at the Ebbitt Hotel the evening of April 24. Also it adopted a resolution asking non-members in the territory covered by the association to take part on this occasion on the same basis as the members.

A proposition advanced by A. E. Dowell was that Calvert Street bridge be done away with and a new bridge constructed north of it and south of the Zoo, as "a more direct and convenient southerly connection between the section north of Woodley Park. Mr. Dowell set forth that the bridge was principally used for street traffic and was not "essentially needed for vehicle traffic" and put the proposition up to the board of commissioners for determination. The proposition was referred to the executive committee.

A proposition that the Connecticut Avenue bridge should be made available for traction was also made by Mr. Dowell. He served notice that at the next meeting he would submit a resolution covering the subject.

Praises District Commissioners.

Fred A. Emery gave notice that he would propose a resolution at the next meeting to compliment the District Commissioners for their part in arranging a settlement of the street railway strike. He called attention to the orderly fashion in which the strike had progressed, without violence of any sort.

A constitutional amendment adopted provided for a public utilities committee. Sixteen new members were admitted. They were E. H. Bowie, E. T.

Dakin, G. H. Alexander, Henry E. Bittinger, Charles B. Healy, F. P. Devereaux, L. H. Adams, Samuel S. Perry, Morris Ganss, A. E. T. Hansman, Claude E. Miller, E. D. Gordon, Ray Y. Turner, W. J. Canada, James D. Hobbs and A. H. Ferguson.

The committee on arrangements for the dinner dance at the Ebbitt Hotel consists of A. L. Falk, Dr. H. C. Dickinson, David L. Selke, Col. George A. Ames, W. B. Westlake, L. H. David and F. P. Leith. Mr. Leith is secretary of the committee and will receive reservations for the evening at his home, 2214 Ross place northwest.

W. VA. COAL IN PITTSBURGH.

For First Time Local Demand Exceeds Monongahela Output.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 9.—For the first time in the history of navigation on the Ohio river coal is being brought to Pittsburgh from West Virginia mines by that route. Increased industrial activity in the mills and furnaces in and around the city requires so much of the coal produced along the Monongahela river that some purchasing agents have found it profitable to buy fuel from mines down the Ohio and have it delivered by boat.

As continuous navigation is restricted to a point below Wellsburg, W. Va., the operations are restricted, but there are a number of large river mines in the territory and the initial shipment of 20,000 bushels in February will be more than doubled during March, it is said.

SUES "POP" FOR THAT \$500.

Didn't Use Tobacco in Youth and Wants Dad to Keep Promise.

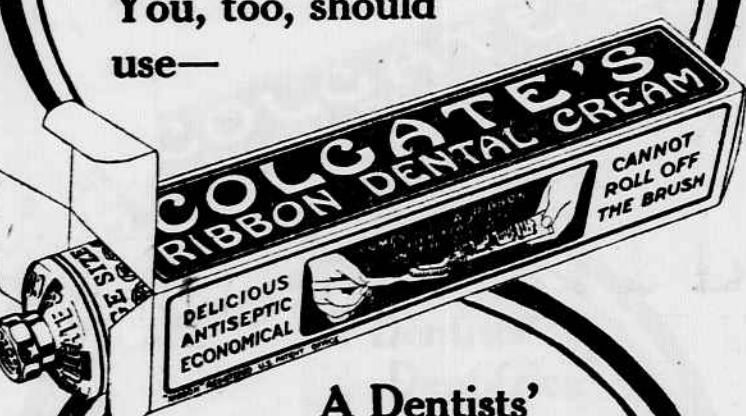
COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 9.—When Howard Titus was fifteen years old his father, Lincoln C. Titus, promised, according to the son, to give him \$500 on his twenty-first birthday if he would abstain from the use of tobacco until that time. The son became of age last December, and yesterday filed suit in the Franklin county common pleas court to recover the \$500 which he alleged his father had failed to pay.

Howard says the agreement was made in writing, and that he has carried out his part of the bargain. Father and son live in Columbus.

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